## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO EASTERN DIVISION

STATE OF OHIO, ex rel. : CASE NO. 2:16-cv-00802

DAVE YOST :

OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL : CHIEF JUDGE SARGUS

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Plaintiff, : MAGISTRATE JUDGE JOLSON

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**V.** 

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JOHN G. BREEN, et al.

:

Defendants.

## **STATE OF OHIO'S MOTION TO LIFT STAY**

Plaintiff, the State of Ohio (the "State"), submits this Motion respectfully requesting the Court to lift the stay of these proceedings and reopen this case. On March 11, 2019, the bench trial in this case concluded. Shortly thereafter—but before the Court issued its decision—all parties jointly filed a motion to stay proceedings. The purpose of this request was to facilitate settlement negotiations between Trabue Dublin, Mr. Dick, and the State. The Court granted the motion and filed an order staying the case until December 16, 2019. The Court subsequently issued an order administratively closing this case during the pendency of the stay. Since approximately July 2019, the parties have periodically submitted Joint Status Reports to the Court via email updating the Court on the status of negotiations. The parties last submitted a status report on September 1, 2020.

It has become clear over the year and a half since the parties made their original request for stay that settlement is not a realistic possibility. Consequently, the State is asking that the Court lift the stay and reopen the case. The State believes that the only significant outstanding issues in this case include the Breen Defendants' responsibility for: (1) injunctive relief; (2) past

response costs; and (3) future response costs. It is the State's understanding that the Court is ready to issue its final decision in this case. Therefore, the State respectfully requests that the Court terminate the stay, reopen the case, and issue its ruling in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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This certifies that on November 6, 2020, I served State of Ohio's Motion to Lift Stay by

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